

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 10, 2019 at 6:30 pm

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bradley Beach was held in the Meeting Room, 701 Main Street, Bradley Beach, New Jersey on the above date.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gary Engelstad opened the meeting with a salute to the flag.

Mayor Engelstad requested a moment in silence to remember those lost and impacted by September 11th.

Sunshine Law

The meeting has been noticed publicly according to the Open Public Meetings Act requirement for the "Annual Notice", and posted on the official bulletin board.

ROLL CALL 6:30 pm

Present: Council: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler
Mayor Engelstad
Borough Attorney Marguerite Schaeffer
Municipal Clerk/Administrator Kelly Barrett
Chief Financial Officer Gail Krzyzczuk
Deputy Municipal Clerk Erica Kostyz

CEREMONIAL – Proclamation

Mayor Engelstad awarded a proclamation to "Fulfill" formerly known as the Food Bank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties for their efforts to alleviate hunger. He mentioned that September is Hunger Action Month.

ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE- Ms. Barrett provided the following:

- The collection of Plastic Film will begin on November 13th and a press event will be held, the Governor and CEO of SC Johnson have been invited to attend. Plastic Film containers will be placed in Borough Hall, Library, Recreation Center, Fire House, Senior Building and school.
- The Code Officer will conduct a detailed inspection of all the properties on Main Street
- Owners of the Bamboo Leaf made a \$2,000. donation to the town
- The winner of the beach buggy from the beachfront survey is Jroerden@hotmail.com #104.

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Cotler to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 27, 2019

ROLL CALL AYES: Goldfarb, Cotler, Engelstad
NAYS: Weber, Bonnell
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

APPROVED

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

ORDINANCE 2019-20

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF A KUBOTA FROM THE GENERAL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND OF THE BOROUGH OF BRADLEY BEACH, COUNTY OF MONMOUTH, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$27,762.74

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Weber to introduce Ordinance 2019-20
ROLL CALL AYES: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler, Engelstad
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

PENDING

Detective Pancza provided information on the LESO and GSA programs. He stated that the Police Department has received computers at no cost which saves the tax payers money.

ON MOTION by Engelstad/Goldfarb to approve the Consent Agenda
ROLL CALL AYES: Weber, Goldfarb, Bonnell, Cotler, Engelstad
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution 2019-161 BILL LIST

Resolution 2019-162 Authorized the Bradley Beach Police Department to participate in the Law Enforcement Support Office 1033 program

Resolution 2019-163 Authorized the installation of the Sluice Gates at Sylvan Lake Outfall contract be awarded to Precise Construction Inc., 1016 Highway 33, Freehold, NJ in the amount of \$33,649 (Bradley Beach share)

APPROVED

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Weber reported that the Environmental Commission is continuing with the Re-certification of Sustainable New Jersey application. He stated that the re-certification application requires borough resolutions in support of the Sustainable NJ which will be on the next meeting's agenda.

Councilman Goldfarb spoke on behalf of the Memorial Day Committee and was pleased to report the success of the Labor Day Lobster Festival. He continued, there were no negative incidences, the weekend was great and was enhanced by the festival. He stated that the Memorial Day Committee is looking forward to next year's events.

Mayor Engelstad mentioned that he would like the public to be made more aware of the proceeds from the Memorial Day Committee events go to Bradley Beach organizations.

Councilman Bonnell thanked the Department of Public Works for the great job cleaning up after the event and the subsequent beach clean-up prior to the storm.

Councilman Cotler thanked Chief Lifeguard Johnson and his staff for keeping the beach safe this summer along with the Police, Fire and First Aid Squad. He also thanked the front office staff for their support and hard work during the summer season.

Mayor Engelstad announced that Amy Hall, tourism secretary will be creating a Business Commission that will take the place of the defunct Chamber of Commerce. He gave kudos to Amy for her expanding her role as tourism secretary by supporting and promoting the businesses in town in addition to her regular duties. He will provide additional information on the Business Commission the future.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Joe Jankewicz, 507 Fourth Avenue, expressed concerns regarding the construction at Councilman Cotler's property and stated that he was scrutinized while building on his property. He requested an update on the Councilman's project.

Ms. Barrett responded that the borough is waiting for revised plans that will be reviewed by an outside zoning officer.

Thomas Coan, 612 Third Avenue, expressed concerns regarding an OPRA request, copy of a letter that was denied due to the Vaughn Index, attorney client privilege but was read by Ms. Schaffer at a borough meeting. He requested an apology from the Mayor for negative comments made by him in the paper regarding Mr. Coan.

Ms. Schaffer responded that her legal opinion is that the letter is exempt from OPRA due to attorney client privilege. She advised Mr. Coan that he may request the minutes or a tape of the meeting. Mayor Engelstad questioned why Mr. Coan did not comment about the article in the paper at a previous meeting where less people attended.

Richard Despina, 600 Third Avenue, expressed concerns regarding the Lobster Festival event negatively impacting beach revenue and the businesses in town. He thought the Lobster Fest would be held after Labor Day. He disagreed with the Borough Attorney sitting on the dais and making private comments to the Mayor and the public comments being timed.

Eileen Shissas, 112 Fourth Avenue, commended Andrew, Sanitation Foreman of the DPW for his work and demeanor with the public. She was unhappy that the tax payers of the first two blocks off Ocean Avenue were inconvenienced during the Lobster Fest event with cars, parking, food odor, bicycles, etc. She requested a financial report from the Memorial Day Committee on the Lobster Fest event.

Al Rappaport, 512 Newark Avenue, expressed concerns regarding the disbursement of revenue from the Lobster Fest event. He suggested that the funds be disbursed after the election. He commented on the excellent job the lifeguards do during the summer and the Police Department during the most recent storm.

Engelstad/Cotler moved to adjourn
ADJOURN 7:10 pm

KELLY BARRETT RMC, CMR
Municipal Clerk/Administrator